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26 FEB 1971

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Central Reference Service

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ATTENTION : Chief, CRS

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SUBJECT : Acquisition of LIFE photographs

1. On 22 January 1971, [] acquired from DIA color negatives of about 267 photos of PWS in North Vietnam. Selections from these photos appeared in LIFE magazine of 12 February 1971.

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2. The photos came to [] through the following channels:

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a. In mid-January LIFE loaned to Public Affairs section of the Office of Secretary of Defense 267 slides [] and allegedly taken during Christmas season 1970 at a PW camp in Hanoi.

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b. Public Affairs immediately gave the slides to DIA, and DIA had negatives made for each member of the Interagency Prisoner of War Intelligence Committee (IPWIC).

c. The CIA was given its negative copy at the IPWIC meeting of 22 January 1971.

3. Black and white prints have been made of all frames and color prints have been requested.

4. If CRS is interested in acquiring these negatives as part of the CIA reference collection, please contact [] of [] he will be glad to make the negatives available to CRS either for loan or retention.

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OSD & DIA review(s) completed.

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